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IRELAND

Interest in Her Future Has Grown Since Signing of the Armistice.

Irish of New York Send Their Petition to President Wilson.

View With Intense Gratification the President's Speech of Last September.

CAN'T IGNORE CONTENTION.

Interest in Ireland has grown remarkably since the signing of the armistice. Recently a petition in behalf of Ireland was sent to the President by the Irish of New York. After declaring that the blood of their kindred, which was poured out on the battlefields of Europe, is the best proof of the devotion of their race to the United States, the petitioners submit that Ireland is entitled to her independence by virtue of her continued and historic struggle against foreign domination; her geographical position; her homogeneous population; her great natural wealth; the direct and repeatedly expressed will of her people. The document declares England holds Ireland not by right but by might. On this account the petitioners view with intense gratification the following passages from President Wilson's speech of September 27:

"Shall the military power of any nation or group of nations be suffered to determine the fortunes of peoples over whom they have no right to rule except the rule of force? Shall strong nations be free to wrong weak nations and make them subject to their purpose and interest? Shall peoples be ruled and dominated, even in their own internal affairs, by arbitrary and irresponsible force or by their own will and choice? Shall there be a common standard of right and privilege for all peoples and nations, or shall the strong do as they will and the weak suffer without redress? Shall the assertion of right be haphazard and by casual alliance, or shall there be a common concert to oblige the observance of common rights? No man, no group of men, chose these to be the issues of the struggle. They are the issues of it; and they must be settled by no arrangement or compromise or adjustment of interests, but definitely and once for all and with a full and unequivocal acceptance of the principle that the interest of the weakest is as sacred as the interest of the strongest."

In the views of the authors of the petition the words of the President bind him and the country to secure for Ireland complete freedom from foreign domination. Later 4,000 people met at the Central Opera House, New York, and adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, the leaders of the Irish people are still held in English prisons on charges for which there has never been the least foundation, and whereas their continued incarceration deprives Ireland of a voice, and the Irish people of counsel and leadership in this vital moment of the nation's affairs, and makes the professions of the Allies that they are fighting for freedom for all peoples open to grave suspicion and doubt, and whereas several of these people imprisoned are the actually elected representatives of the people of Ireland; be it resolved that we ask President Wilson, without whose aid the war would not have won, to use his influence to have these Irish men and women immediately released, so that they may fittingly represent their people in whatever plans they see fit to adopt to put Ireland in its true light before the world, so that she may be again restored to her place among the nations. And be it further resolved that we ask the President to receive popularly chosen representatives of the people of Ireland so that he may help to bring about a settlement 'much better and more lasting' than any 'based on the selfish competitive interests of powerful States'—the settlement of the Irish problem—and thus by repealing the effects of the oldest conquest in Europe make an augury for peace 'that will gratify the longing of the whole world for disinterested justice.'"

About the time this was taking place in America the Irish Nationalists were memorializing President Wilson. The only part of the document so far published reads:

"Can anybody doubt that the nation of Ireland comes under the category of those small nations for whose rights you so eloquently plead the question or that the present government of Ireland by Great Britain against the will of Ireland, and simply by arbitrary and irresponsible force, comes under the scathing condemnation you have given all such exercises of wrong? We implore you not to relax your efforts to make this war not merely a triumph of nation over nation or armies over armies. We claim the further right to throw ourselves upon your protection and upon your aid because you are ruler of more millions of men of our blood than any other ruler on earth. We appeal to you because in every hour of our history our race has stood by the flag of your nation, and your nation has never refused its aid, its sympathy and its accord with our national aspirations."

Ireland's contention is such that neither England nor the United States can afford to ignore it.

FOUR GREAT GENERALS WHO HELPED WIN THE WAR.
Upper left hand corner Gen. Allenby, who received the Turks' surrender. Upper right hand corner Italian Gen. Diaz, to whom the Austrian commander applied for an armistice. Lower left hand corner shows Gen. Humbert, who led his armies in great advances around St. Quentin. Lower right hand coner Gen. Haller, commander-in-chief of the Polish armies.

THE HOLY SEE.

Rome cablesgrams say it is now practically certain that the Holy Father will hold a consistory in the coming Advent. The date has not yet been fixed, but it is probable that the private consistory will be held on December 16 and the public consistory on December 19. At it the Pope will deliver a most important allocution and will create a few Cardinals, among whom will probably be Monsignor Sebastianelli, Dean of the Sacred Rota, and Archbishop Kakowski, of Warsaw. His Hoilness has written a letter to the latter informing him of his intention to elevate him to membership in the Sacred College and congratulating him upon the resurrection of Poland, after its unjust partition and its terrible sufferings, to national independence in the confines of its ancient kingdom. It is expected that this formal recognition of Poland as a State will lead soon to the establishment of diplomatic relations between it and the Holy See.

GRAND DUAL EVENT.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8, has been definitely fixed as the day for the grand dual ceremonies, in which the Sacred Pallium will be conferred upon His Grace the Most Rev. Archbishop Shaw, and simultaneously the Right Rev. Jules B. Jeanmard will be consecrated Bishop of Lafayette, and the Right Rev. Arthur Drossaerts as Bishop of San Antonio. His Excellency the Most Rev. John Bonzano, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, will come to New Orleans to confer the Pallium upon His Grace and to consecrate the Bishops-elect of Lafayette and San Antonio. The Right Rev. John B. Morris, Bishop of Little Rock, will deliver the sermon on this important occasion, which will bring to New Orleans all the suffragan Bishops of the province and other distinguished prelates. The ceremonies will take place in the St. Louis Cathedral, and preparations will be made for the reception of the Apostolic Delegate.

DEATH AT PARIS.

Michael Shea, forty-eight years old, died Monday at his home in Paris following a long illness from tuberculosis. He is survived by a daughter, Miss Margaret Shea, and a sister, Miss Johanna Shea. He was well known and held in high esteem in Bourbon county.

GEN. VON WINDERFELD.
Who applied to Marshal Foch under a white flag for the terms of the Allies.

DEMOCRATS

Looking Forward to Easy Victories in Future State and Local Elections.

Negroes Call at Near Mayor Smith's House to Stop Film Show.

Administration Not Unanimous Concerning the Keystoners' Ability.

LAUGHING KIDS ROUNDED UP.

A group of Kentucky Democrats in one of the hotel lobbies were talking politics the other day and all agreed that, everything considered, Thanksgiving day should be a real day of thanks for Kentucky Democrats, as the party had fared well in the recent election, but above all the united party front with the elimination of the Stanley and Beckham factions was a forerunner of bright things for next year. All agreed that with the boys home next year the Democratic State ticket would have clear sailing and no matter who was chosen as the Gubernatorial candidate he would have easy sailing in trimming Morrow, who seems to have the Republican nomination sewed up but is not as strong as he was four years ago. It looks at this writing as if the Democratic nomination for Governor lies between Prof. H. H. Cherry, Lieut. Gov. Black and Judge Carroll. The only bright spot in the Republican camp seems to be right here and Louisville Republicans will select a few of the State ticket, Judge H. S. Barker, an ex-Democrat, being mentioned for Attorney General, while of course Dr. Bruner will be a candidate for something or another. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that Tom Rhea can have the nomination for Auditor and deserves to be unopposed in his party. From a State standpoint Kentucky can be considered safely Democratic for years to come and Louisville will redeem itself judging from the good showing made this year.

Referring again to the stopping of the "Birth of a Nation" photo play last week, additional proof has leaked out convincingly strong of the negro domination here in the Republican party and the local administration. It develops that Tom Cooke, Secretary to the Police Chief and former newspaper man, was detailed to witness the film, which was showing here for the third time. Cooke reported back that he saw nothing objectionable, and all know there has been no trouble where it was exhibited. But to carry out their plan of domination three of the colored Republican leaders called on near Mayor Smith at his home and the play was stopped. Many wonder how Ches Searcy, the real Mayor, would have acted in the matter; but anyway the colored brother carried his point and it remains to be seen how much further they will go in the exercise of their control over the present administration, which bows to the negro voter.

The freedom with which negro crap and poker games are now running under the "reform" administration (Men's Federation, please note) has set people to thinking that the cause of the many robberies and holdups can be traced to the negro gamblers. Men from Stithton and other workers with their salaries have been special marks for the highwaymen, who probably use that means to recoup their losses of the gaming table. The poor old Keystone police haven't even got a clue to the numerous robberies and some are unkind enough to say that our motormen and conductor police wouldn't know what to do with it if they had it. Getting away from the robbing and gambling end of it, many would like to hear from the Men's Federation and that great reformer, Dr. M. P. Hunt, on the indictment of an employe of their pet administration for bootlegging.

From time to time the Louisville Herald has hungrily grabbed at some one saying a nice word for the Keystone police, publishing glowing testimonials from boy soldiers, health officers, Republican office-holders or anyone at all who could be coaxed into saying that the Keystoners were police. Then the press bureau by wireless from the City Hall would issue a statement telling of the wonderful efficiency of the joke police, and try to bamboozle the taxpayers into believing that we had real police. Now comes Joseph Selligman, a member of the Board of Safety, to the front and crabs the work of the Herald and the press bureau. This past week Mr. Selligman has been addressing the police in the station houses and said that HE KNEW THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WASN'T WHAT IT OUGHT TO BE, that the board was disappointed in men that they appointed. He also said that the board might get better police when the soldiers came home. It is not related how the Keystoners took this last remark about their jobs only being temporary, but chances are they will get the point after an exhaustive study. Capt. Hundley, of the Seventh district, made a talk to his men directly opposite to Selligman's. The Captain addressed the police before the parade Saturday and said: "Now, men, be on your good behavior and keep your mouths closed when the parade passes. You know Mayor Smith thinks we are the greatest police force in the world." Some one ought to pinch the near Mayor and wake him out of that trance.

All of this looks like things are pretty messed up concerning the Keystone police. Near Mayor Smith says they are the best in the world. Joe Selligman says they don't call for much. The poor old Herald denies that Keystoners threw out a barrage in a West End saloon and was so confused when they were fired that it said in its Wednesday issue that "Patrolmen Miller and Needy were dismissed by the Board of Public Works." In the Gentile murder case the other day one of the witnesses, who stated that he was a pickpocket by profession, said that he and others of the light-fingered gentry were invited here because "the police were a lot of chumps." That's a nice way to speak about our poor old Keystoners, but it's a good thing for the witness that he didn't speak so slightingly of the comedy police in the Police Court. In the latter tribunal little boys who playfully call our comedy police by their title of Keystoners are soaked heavily, and only Monday Willie and Charley Gaisser and Bert Lovell were hauled before that court for insulting the majesty of the law. These three kids had dared call a Keystoner by his title at Clay and Broadway. Mr. Plaschke, the cartoonist, should beware.

One of the real policemen who is still in the department says it is a treat to be around one of the "barns," as the Keystoners call the station houses. He says that real police in a crowd talk about felonies, clews, arrests, etc., but the Keystone boys only discuss the prospect for crops this year, the news from "down hum," which wood makes the best rail fence, or whether Bill Spivens got the worst of the trade when he swapped his one-eyed mare for a Jersey cow to Zeke Tucker. One of the country boys the other night chipped in with a request for information. He wanted to know "who in the thunder was this here Uncle Sam you see so much about in the papers." During the Victory parade one of the Keystoners at Fourth and Guthrie, more intent on catching confetti throwers than pickpockets, grabbed a boy with a sack on his back and said: "What have you got in that thing, confetti?" and was ready to lock the boy up. Bystanders laughed uproariously when it developed the boy was carrying special delivery mail. A Republican saloon-keeper was taking a Keystone policeman up in the Louisville Trust Company elevator to see if he couldn't get Ches Searcy, the real Mayor, to promote him to Corporal. When the elevator stopped the saloon-keeper happened to reach in his pocket for something and the Keystoner grabbed his arm and said: "No, yer don't, this here ride's on me and I'll pay for it."

MOTHER'S SAD MISSION.

Mrs. Myrtle Canary, of 2022 Garland avenue, arrived home Wednesday from Omaha, where she had been called by the illness of her son, Thomas C. Canary, who succumbed to pneumonia at the military camp there. The deceased was twenty-six years old and was well known in the West End and popular among his associates. Canary was a printer and since entering the Government service had been stationed at Kelly Feld in Texas and at Norfolk, where he was sent for special training, and at Omaha, where his illness was contracted, he was instructor in aerial tactics. He is survived by his mother, two sisters, Miss Katherine Canary and Mrs. Patrick O'Sullivan, and a brother, George Canary, who is in Camp Meade, Maryland. The body arrived here Wednesday night.

FORTY HOURS.

At the Cathedral the first Sunday in Advent will usher in the Forty Hours' prayer. The beautiful devotions will begin with high mass tomorrow morning and come to a solemn close Tuesday evening. Fathers Rock and O'Connor will be assisted by a number of visiting priests.

HOW NOTED WOMAN HELPED TO WIN THE WAR.
Lord Kitchener's sister has been doing valiant work with the Red Cross in France and England. Photo shows her making up gift packages for the soldiers of the Allied armies.

ORDERS

Their Social Work Forms Instructive Chapter in History of Church.

The Wholesome Influence of Monasticism Has Been Too Often Underestimated.

Constructive Labors of the Monks and Other Religious Continues Today.

THEY WERE SOCIAL APOSTLES.

Most people are inclined to judge the social value of an institution by results that strike the eye and by data that can be worked up into elaborate statistics, and the press does everything in its power to foster and strengthen this idea. Such persons forget that there is an interior force that springs up in and flows out from certain social institutions that is of no less practical advantage to a community than the actual work of alleviating some form of distress and misery. The religious orders of the Catholic church are such institutions which have conferred vast social benefits upon society, though recognition of this service is often grudgingly given. In the chapter on labor in his work, "The Social Question," Father Weiss, the noted Dominican, rightly says that persons who devote their entire lives to intellectual or spiritual work perform a social service of no less value than those who labor to increase commodities and natural products. Members of religious communities taking the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience are by this very fact pledged to lead a life which is bound to exert a wholesome and uplifting influence upon society at large.

It was especially in its fight against the corrupt paganism of the first Christian centuries that the church exerted a beneficial influence through the hermits and anchorites who lived in the so-called lauras and followed a quasi religious life. These thousands of anchorites were a disciplined army which fought the fearful vices of heathendom with powerful, spiritual weapons. Their austere and penitential lives were a continuous sermon, an energetic protest of what is best in human nature against the degrading servitude of luxury. It was a well directed attack of the Christian spirit upon the deep rooted rottenness of pagan society. From this point of view the asceticism of the early monks developed into a most important social function. One of the first effects which the example of the heroic virtue of the monks wrought in that debased society was to convince it that it was possible to lead a dignified existence without giving way to the cruel and shameful slavery of sin and riotous excesses. These anchorites efficaciously taught the value of goods of the moral and spiritual order. They made men understand how far spirit excels matter and how great is the power of the will when assisted by grace, against the evil tendencies of corrupt nature.

To understand fully the social efficacy of the eremitical life we must recall the state of Roman society in the fourth century. Paganism as a religion and a philosophic system had fallen never to rise again. By his victory at the Milvian Bridge Constantine had routed the army of the last heathen Emperor. "In this sign thou shalt conquer" became the watchword of throngs of noble men and women, and vast numbers entered the church, many of them voluntarily accepting poverty and the burdens of life in a religious community. The life and example of the latter, as well as the rigorous rule followed by those who lived in solitude as hermits, became a continuous object lesson in sobriety and self-restraint. It was certainly not of little value to a society carried away by avarice and love of gold to behold rich lords and matrons distribute their wealth to the poor and live content in sackcloth and with coarse food. In many cases these persons who left the world did not only engage in prayer and contemplation but labored with their hands for their own sustenance and that of the poor. They led the life which was later on summarized by many religious orders under the watchword "ora et labora,' "pray and work." By their systematic undertakings for the material improvement of the vicinity in which they were located many of the great religious orders merited the gratitude of their contemporaries and of future generations. Dr. Thompson recognizes this fact in his book "The Church and the Wage-earners." He admits that the religious orders acted as the bridge builders and road constructors of many districts in the Middle Ages. They drained the swamp and improved the fertiilty of large wastes and tracts of arid lands.

But this work has continued to our own day. Missionaries of religious orders became the instructors of the tribes not only in religion but in agriculture. The Jesuit Reductions of Paraguay are a telling example. In other cases the monks and religious acted not only as preachers of the gospel but as social apostles. The Salesians are today carrying on fine social work, in the spirit of their founder Don Bosco, not only in Italy but also in South America. The Fathers of the Society of the Divine Word have been laboring successfully in Togoland in Africa, teaching their black children the Christian religion and the arts of life. The sons of St. Francis have brought the light of faith and material prosperity to the Navahos of Arizona, following in this the example of their illustrious brethren—Junipero Serra and Salvatierra. The Oblates are working successfully for the spiritual and social uplift among the Denes of British Columbia. Men like De Smet, Father Morice, O. M. I., Bishop Marty, who labored among the Sioux, were not only missionaries of the "good tidings" but apostles of charity and promoters of social peace and happiness.

The social work of the religious orders forms one of the most instructive chapters in the history of the church. C. B. of C. V.

TRINITY COUNCIL.

The nomination and election of officers of Trinity Council, Y. M. I., will take place next Monday night, when all members are requested to be present. The administration, headed by Vic Eckert, has scored another successful year for Trinity Council.

ADMIRAL VON HINTZE.
One of the German Commission who applied to Marshal Foch for the Allies' terms.

CAMP NEWS

Major Gen. McMahon Takes Charge in Quiet and Unassuming Manner.

Delightful Reception and Dance in Honor of the Red Cross Nurses.

Training School For Chaplains Will Soon Be Thing of the Past.

CHAPLAIN GOES ON FURLOUGH.

On Tuesday Major Gen. McMahon, who has been in France for some time, took charge of Camp Taylor, relieving Gen. Fred Austin, of the artillery command. Gen. Austin, who has been confined to his quarters for several days, expects to be out soon and carry on the work of the Depot Brigade. Very little work or training is being done at the big camp these days in the Depot Brigade, while in the Artillery Replacement Depot the men spend most of their time in athletic sports and other amusements, and having so much time on their hands it is necessary to have longer shows and movies every night in the recreation halls.

Major Gen. McMahon is a veteran in the army service, very unassuming and quiet in manner. He seemed to be very interested in the morale work of the agencies here. He walked into the big auditorium unaccompanied Sunday morning for th 9 o'clock mass and took a seat among the hundreds of soldiers gathered for services. After mass he said he was glad to be at Camp Taylor and promised to attend the Thanksgiving service if possible.

The big feature of the week was the reception and dance given at the K. of C. auditorium in honor of the Red Cross nurses of the base hospital. The hall was decorated for the occasion, and the nurses with their red capes and white dresses formed a beautiful picture as they danced over the floor with the many officers of the camp, who came to honor them. Refreshments were served by the K. of C. Secretaries and several lady chaperones from Louisville. The party lasted until "taps" were sounded, and the nurses were profuse in their thanks to the Knights who arranged the affair.

The commission of morale officer at Camp Taylor has been conferred upon Capt. Sam Jones, who has been in charge of the recreation activities since the opening of the camp. He called a meeting of the different agencies and plans were laid for more active work among the men during their leisure time. This work has been done by the Knights, "Y" and the Jewish Welfare Board since they entered camp, but it will now be carried on more extensively. The first meeting in the educational line was held on last Thursday morning, when about sixteen hundred men were addressed by Hon. E. J. McDermott, of Louisville, at K. of C. building No. 5. The speaker instructed the soldiers upon their duties as citizens and the need for all to be true Americans. Other branches of morale work will be taken up by Packey McFarland and Song Leader Dawson later on.

The number of men still at the base hospital make it necessary to keep two K. of C. Secretaries and two chaplins at work all the time. The tent formerly used has been made into a small hut, where the work is carried on night and day.

The three colored K. of C. Secretaries have a very easy time providing entertainers for the men stationed in the neighborhood of building No. 2 here. It is a question to find room on the programme for the many singers and dancers in the Development Brigade who are anxious to show their talent every evening.

The Knights of Columbus took part in the great peace parade held in Louisville Saturday afternoon by providing a float that represented a matinee reception and dance. The float was filled with pretty girls and many soldiers, who attracted a great deal of attention all along the route. The Uniform Rank, Knights of St. John, and the St. Helena's Club acted as escort for the display.

The Chaplains' School at this camp will soon be a thing of the past, as the school has only about 130 candidates in the seventh class, with only twelve priests among the number.

Chaplain Regis Barrett, in charge of the work here, has gone home on a ten days' furlough. Father Barrett did great work at the hospital during the influenza trouble and is entitled to a rest.

SERVICE FLAG BLESSED.

With impressive services and in the presence of the fathers and mothers and friends and relatives of the 120 young men of St. Charles Borromeo parish who gave their services to their country, the Rev. Charles P. Raffo, the pastor, last Sunday afternoon blessed and unfurled a large and beautiful service flag. This event was to have taken place some time ago but had to be postponed on account of the influenza epidemic. In an eloquent and patriotic address Father Raffo made his parishioners feel proud of their boys and their flag and country.

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ENFORCE THE LAW.

The killing of some one by a speeding automobilist is becoming a frequent occurrence and there is a reckless set who pay absolutely no attention to the ordinance concerning passing of street cars while passengers are getting on or off. Broadway and Sixth street are now utilized as speedways.

THEY'RE OUT AGAIN.

We predicted that the Junior Order boys would come out after the war was over, and there they were Saturday with a drum corps and their little red school house float spouting patriotism all over. They didn't take much part in war work, Liberty bond or Thrift Stamp sales, but they'll make up for it now with flag raisings, etc.

TIME FOR CHANGE.

With the cold and inclement weather coming on, it is proper that the local Street Car Company should rescind its order of the skip a stop plan. The war is over, there is no real saving in the plan, and great inconvenience is caused to many who have walked possibly a long block or two out of their way twice a day, and did it cheerfully as a war sacriifce.

IRELAND'S CLAIMS.

At the coming world's peace conference when the rights of small nations are up for discussion the rights of Ireland deserve first consideration, as her sons in America, Australia, at home and everywhere fought for the cause of the Allies and world freedom. The English Government, seeing the probability of Ireland's claims being considered, is trying to block the move by asking what will become of Ulster, the home of Carson and French, who rebelled against the English Government successfully. If this is right then the minority factions in Russia, Belgium, Germany and everywhere have the right to protest against any adjustment that does not allow the minority to dictate the form of government. If Ireland's claims and rights are not considered at the peace table then the men who gave their life for the freedom of nations died in vain, and England's pose as a protector of small nations is hollow mockery.

HAVE PATIENCE.

That Protestant prejudice against Catholics has by no means entirely disappeared from the United States is evident from the editorial comments on the United War Work Campaign which have appeared in various sectarian papers during the past several months. The dominant note of these utterances of our separated brethren of the sanctum, says the Catholic Telegraph, has been one of complaint against the inclusion of the National Catholic War Council among the beneficiaries of the campaign. The Protestant editors imagine that Catholic war activities are designed for proselytizing at cantonments and camps, and therefore they have been decrying the combined drive with no little asperity. None of them has come out heart and soul for the campaign, and not a few have suggested that their readers should reserve their contributions until after the close of the campaign, so that they may then assure themselves that their money shall be in no danger of aiding Catholic war work. We must forgive these editors, "for they know not what they do." Protestant soldiers and sailors and marines, of all the various denominations, will soon be coming home from the battle front, from the high seas and from camps and training schools, and they will tell the story of the seven great agencies which are to be the beneficiaries of the United War Work Campaign. We Catholics may well await, with patience and equanimity, the verdict of the boys with the colors. They have been there. They know. And, take our word for it, they are going to tell what they know.

DEMOCRACY.

There is a great deal of loose talk about democracy now-a-days. The word is bandied flippantly about without any very definite idea of its real meaning; and it is quite extensively taken to imply some sort of civic policy, which will be so elastic that it will respond immediately to the changing whims of the populace. It is the darling topic of the demagogue, it is the poisoned bait that is tempting the masses to their destruction. We need not go into a lengthy argument to prove the truth of this last statement. There is no necessity of appealing to history for corroborative examples. The appalling events of haphazard democratic rule in Russia at the present time demonstrate our contention beyond the slightest tinge of doubt. Democracy, rightly understood, does not mean that the people may do as they please, whenever they please, and in any manner whatever they please. It signifies government of the people by the people for the people; and government implies restraint of the governed, obedience, taxation, even personal service—and military service at that—when such becomes necessary for the common welfare. If it is to attain the ends of organized civil society, if it is to promote the peace, contentment, happiness, material and moral progress of the people at large; if it is to be durable, the citizens must respect its laws and must make some sacrifices of their own selfishness for the general good. This is a patriotic duty, and it should be cheerfully discnarged. In the willing performance of this duty lies the only hope of a successful and permanent democracy.

SPONSOR FOR PRUSSIANISM.

We are not surprised at Lloyd George's practical repudiation of all home rule pledges in his speech last week. His declaration that Ulster must not be coerced amounts to this: That as long as Carson and his followers object home rule must be postponed. The British Premier would permit an insignificant minority in the northeast corner of Ireland to control the fate of the whole country. If that be not contrary to all ideas of democracy we know not what it is, exclaims our able contemporary, the True Voice.

Still we are not surprised at the stand taken by the Premier. It is in accord with the policy followed by him and his former leader, Asquith, for the past four years in effect, but not in words. Every few months we were accustomed to read that the Irish question was to be settled. But nothing ever came of the declaration. Nearly two years ago when the Irish convention was called into being we were assured that its solution of the question would be adopted at once. After several months of sittings the convention by unanimous vote, except for a few irreconcilables of the Carson type, recommended that home rule be granted to Ireland. Then Lloyd George, who had called for the convention, ignored its recommendation because a few Carsonites objected. Now he tells us that he will never consent to the coercing of Ulster. That at least is honest, and we have had too little honesty among British Liberal statesmen when dealing with Ireland.

The plain fact is that Ireland need expect nothing from Lloyd George or his kind. A few weeks ago Bishop Keating told an audience in Baltimore that the people were determined that Prussian methods should no longer be permitted to rule Ireland. The coming elections will show whether he has read aright the temper of the English people. Lloyd George says plainly that a Prussianized clique must continue to be the ascendancy party in Ireland. That clique must not be coerced to give liberty to the three-fourths of Ireland. The votes will show whether the people of England believe with him in Prussian methods of government or whether they believe in liberty and democracy.

RIGHT TERM.

There is present in every community a few people who can not be classified by any other term so applicable as that of traitors. It may be one of their own family they betray, but once their tongue is started there is not anything sacred to them nor anything too evil for them to surmise of the persons of whom they gossip. They may not feel any personal dislike of the person nor hold any grudge, but the lure of talking vividly and falsely and of pulling down high standards is too great for them to resist and they indulge in an orgy of slanderous gossip under which a clean minded person cringes helplessly. Every day a character is torn to shreds by these vultures and many an innocent person has suffered the suspicion of a whole neighborhood because of the vile statements made by some neighborhood tale weaver. There have been some instances where the slandered person, gaining some tangible evidence, has given the slanderer a public airing out in court, but even so the notoriety that the case brings one into is very disagreeable and few people possess the daring that is needed to "beard" the ugly tale carrier and punish him or her in such an open manner.

Bonar Law and Lloyd George ignore justice for Ireland. This country must watch them closely. They are not trustworthy.

Do your Christmas shopping early and don't forget the little orphans or the Sisters of the Poor.

Observe Advent properly and thus make your Christmas joyous and happy.

RECENT DEATHS.

Monday morning funeral services over the remains of Ethel Krimm were held at St. Anthony's church. She was twenty-seven years old and the beloved wife of Martin Krimm, for whom his friends feel deep sympathy.

Leo Goss, aged seventy-nine and for many years a respected resident of Louisville, died Monday morning at his residence, 1132 Mulberry street. He was a regular communicant at St. Elizabeth's church, where his funeral took place Wednesday morning.

Edward and Marie Hanke, 623 East Camp street, suffered an irreparable loss when the Angel of Death took from them on Sunday their little daughter Ruth Rose, leaving the family circle desolate. The funeral services were held Tuesday morning at St. Vincent de Paul's church.

Many relatives and friends were grieved by the death of Phillip Wahle, the promising eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wahle, 2429 Griffith avenue, who was called to his heavenly rest early Monday morning. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon with interment in St. Louis cemetery.

The funeral of Peter H. Young, aged sixty-two, was held Wednesday morning from St. Martin's church. He was formerly a tailor and had been ill for two years. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mary Young; five sons, Augustus, John, Arthur, Edward and Albert, and two daughters, Mrs. Frank Neuhauser and Miss Louise Young.

Urban Kruse, twenty-four years old, son of Louis and Rosa Kruse, 914 Vine street, died Monday night, a victim of the dread influenza. He was a young man of many good qualities and popular, and by his death his parents and friends sustained a great loss. His funeral was held Wednesday morning, the burial being in St. Michael's cemetery.

Thursday morning the funeral of Charles J. Finegan, seven-year-old son of ex-Councilman Charles J. Finegan, was held from the residence of his grandmother, Mrs. Anna Zorn, 1535 Bank street, with requiem mass at St. Patrick's church. The little fellow was a favorite among his relatives, to whom is extended the sympathy of their friends.

Ernest M. Norris, beloved husband of Lula M. Norris, died Saturday morning at Dayton, Ohio, and the sad news came as a shock to his many friends in this city. The remains were brought to the home of his father-in-law, Henry Schmitt, 114 South Wenzel street, and Wednesday morning the funeral took place from the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Rev. Father O'Sullivan celebrating the requiem mass. Deceased was thirty-six years old and formerly resided here.

MEN'S MISSION BEGINS.

The mission for women which has been held at St. Louis Bertrand's church this week will close with Papal benediction tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, and the week's mission for the men will begin with the services tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock, consisting of rosary instruction, rosary, sermon and benediction. The attendance of the women this week has been unusually large, and it is hoped the men will equal if not surpass their record. The mission masses are at 5 and 8 o'clock, and beginning Tuesday afternoon confessions will be heard daily. Very Rev. M. J. Ripple and Rev. P. A. Maher, both eloquent priests of the Dominican order, are conducting the mission exercises.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA.

At a meeting held at the Knights of Columbus Hall a most promising branch of the Daughters of Isabella was organized by Catholic ladies of Louisville, starting with a charter list of 150 members. Amidst much enthusiasm the following were elected officers: Mrs. J. B. Arbegust, Regent; Mrs. George Nabors, Vice Regent; Miss B. Cahill, Financial Secretary; Miss Rose Kavanaugh, Recording Secretary; Mrs. George Burkley, Treasurer; Mrs. Speak, Monitor; Mrs. Kate Taylor, Custodian. The Regent appointed temporarily an Inner and Outer Guard, the Chancellor and Trustees being left to the Executive Committee, composed of the officers. The meeting was addressed by Col. P. H. Callahan, George Nabors and Thomas P. Clines, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

HOME WITH ARMY.

Bishop Hayes, Bishop Ordinary, has announced that no more chaplains would be received into the army; that the chaplains in the army will come home with the disbanding of the regiments with which they are connected.

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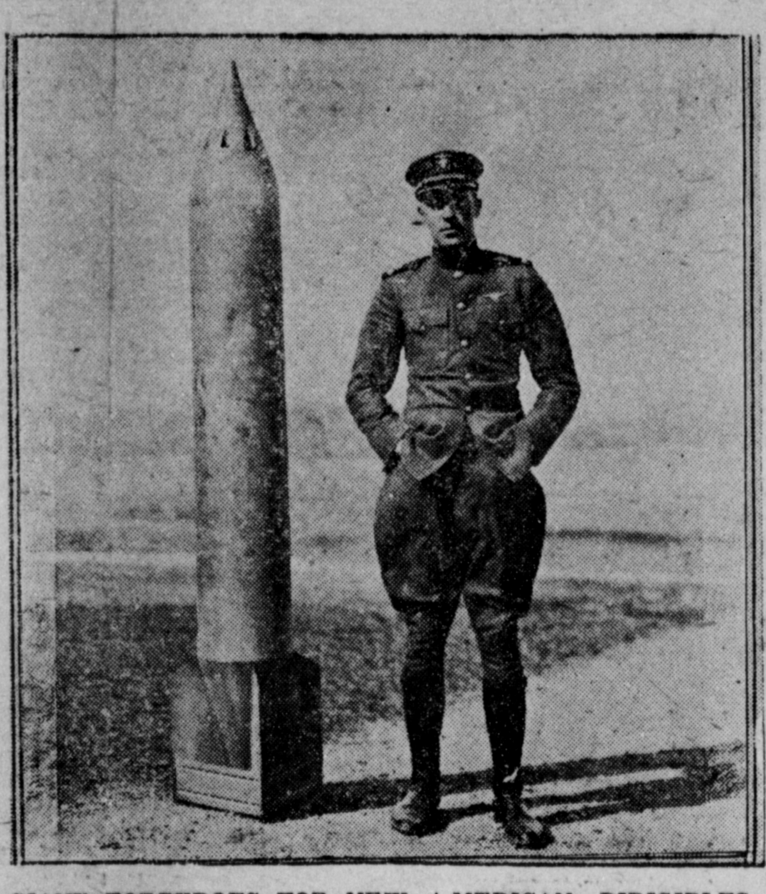

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SOCIETY

Mrs. Adele Porter spent last week visiting friends at Columbus, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stigers, of Portland, are visiting relatives at Mayfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan Mills have come from Frankfort to make their future home here.

Mrs. David Riley has returned from a delightful visit to Mrs. S. L. Crowe at Seymour, Ind.

Mrs. Stanley Cavanaugh has been visiting her mother, Mrs. H. L. Wilson, at Birdseye, Ind.

Mrs. William Gorman, of Jeffersonville, has returned from a visit to her parents at Noblesville, Ind.

Mrs. Frank Pooley, of Parkview, has returned from North Vernon, Ind., where she visited the Misses Sienor.

Mrs. Ellen Haney, of Washington, is spending the winter with her son, L. T. Haney, and Mrs. Haney, Crescent Hill.

Miss Amelia Weitzel, who was the week-end guest of Mrs. Howard Wedekemper, has returned to her home in Frankfort.

Miss Eleanor Harris returned from St. Catherine's Academy on Wednesday to spend the Thanksgiving holiday at home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzgerald and Mrs. Mollie Fitzgerald spent a pleasant Sunday visiting Frank Fitzgerald at Prestonia.

Miss Mary M. Hallahan, of North Twentieth street, has been confined to her home for the past few weeks with a bad case of tonsilitis.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Johnson and May Agnes Maguire, of Parkview, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Johnson in New Albany.

Miss Margaret Galligan, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Harold Sweet, in Jeffersonville, has returned to her home in Oakland City, Ind.

Mrs. C. A. Kesselring, of the Highlands, who was seriously hurt in an automobile accident, is now steadily improving at Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital.

Miss Mae Adams Lincoln has recovered from the illness that confined her to the home of her parents, Judge and Mrs. Walter P. Lincoln, Garvin Place.

Mrs. Frank Kelly has returned from a three months' stay at Atlantic City and Philadelphia, where she visited her sisters, Misses Catherine and Pearl Kiernan.

Mrs. Edward J. Hackett, East Eleventh and Market, New Albany, was hostess Wednesday night to the Sarto Literary Club, when its November meeting was held.

Dan B. Kelly returned Sunday from the O. T. S. at Camp Hancock, where last week he received his commission as Second Lieutenant and was placed in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

Miss Madge Porter and Corporal Dalton Mahoney, of Camp Zachary Taylor, visited in New Haven last week and were the attendants at the marriage of Miss Lula Ross and Cletus Mahoney.

John B. Keyer has announced the engagement of his daughter, Miss Juanita E. Keyer, to Lieut. Percy S. Cooney, of New Orleans, now stationed at Camp Zachary Taylor. Their marriage will be solemnized in January.

The marriage of Miss Eileen M. Roberts, of Detroit, and Raymond Kaleher, of Detroit, formerly of Louisville, was solemnized Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock at St. Anthony's church.

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Mrs. Jerry Hallahan and son John, of North Twentieth street, took a trip to Indianapolis the past week to see their son, Jerry Joseph Hallahan, who is stationed at Fort Benjamin Harrison.

Lieut. Ray Herrmann and Mrs. Herrmann, who arrived here last week from Fort Sill, left Wednesday for San Diego, Cal., where Lieut. Herrmann was ordered to report upon the completion of his course in the Oklahoma camp.

Mrs. William H. Osborn, Jr., who has been staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Miller, 2222 West Jefferson, left Saturday for Lake Forest, to Spend Thanksgiving with her husband, who is a yeoman at the Great Lakes training school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Cardell, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Childs, Mrs. J. C. Taylor, G. H. Robertson, T. F. Downin, W. C. McKenney, J. P. Love, W. L. Heiser and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Stine, all of Louisville, were spending last week in New York City.

The marriage of Miss Alice Nelligan and Frank J. Moss was solemnized with nuptial mass Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock at St. Cecilia's church. Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Moss left for Philadelphia, and after December 12 they will be at home to their friends at 2820 Hale avenue.

SOLDIER AND SAILOR.

The photo below is a good likeness of Daniel J. O'Keefe, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. O'Keefe, of 1318 Seventeenth street, and who

has been in France since September with the Forty-ninth Artillery Corps. While stationed at Camp Eustic, Va., Private O'Keefe wrote friends here that he was more than anxious to get over there, as he believed it wouldn't last much longer, which prediction came true. A younger brother, William P. O'Keefe, is in the navy and family and friends have heard from him lately at ports in England and Italy.

ANNIVERSARY.

The St. Elizabeth Society of St. Anthony's church, composed of women of the congregation, celebrated their anniversary Sunday morning by receiving holy communion in a body. In a short sermon Rev. Seraphim Schlang, the pastor, spoke words of praise for the women and the edifying sight they presented, one which all would do well to emulate.

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HARMONY LACKING.

All is not harmony between the various self-governing parts of the British Empire, at least the great colonies are pleased to think they have been treated shabbily by the "mother" country. The dissatisfaction of the colonies has been voiced by Premier Hughes, of Australia, who complains that England threw Australia into the war without consulting her, and is now preparing for peace without consulting her. Premier Hughes insists that Australia is entitled to her own representative at the peace table, and will resent bitterly her exclusion, if exclusion be decided on. It is probable that the Premier was speaking Canada's thought also in this matter. The Australians and Canadians have borne the brunt of the fighting on the British side; indeed were it not for the showing made by those colonies Great Britain would have cut a sorry figure in the war. Canada and Australia know this and their respect for Great Britain's vaunted power has visibly diminished. They realize that as far as they are concerned they must look to themselves for the protection of their interests; hence instead of being drawn more closely to Great Britain by the war it would appear as if they really had come to the parting of the ways. At all events it is certain that in future they will pay less attention to the wishes of Great Britain whenever their own interests are to be served, nor would it surprise us if they insisted on being represented at foreign courts by their own plenipotentiaries.

CRITICAL PERIOD.

The signing of the armistice brings the United States to what is probably for us the critical period of our connection with the European imbroglio. It is the time when our best thought should be put into the matter of peace, with an eye single to the best interests of our country. The United States went into the war with clean hands and against its will, and it must come out with clean hands. At the same time it should sacrifice no just interest to the necessities of peace, rather it should insist that those principles for which it had drawn the sword be realized. The United States has won foremost place, financially and commercially, among the nations, and it should not permit itself to be robbed of a single iota of this pre-eminence. It has fought for the freedom of the seas and it should see to it that this means something more than freedom with the permission of some other nation. It has fought to make the world safe for democracy and should insist that the world become democratic. It has fought for "the rights of all peoples, great and small; the right of self-government and to a participation in the economic opportunities of the world," and should make it its business to see that those rights are accorded to all peoples without exception. When these things are done for which the United States has fought so successfully then, and only then, will the pre-eminence of the United States be assured. This is the really critical time, for it is the time of test between the openness and sense of fair play of American statesmanship and the dark lantern methods of European diplomacy, and unles the United States insists that the principles for which it fought—principles based on equal justice to all peoples—become the animating principles of international relations in the future we shall have had our labor for our pains.

FATHER HOWARD'S REPORT.

Many papers and addresses of interest and value to the student of education are found in Father Howard's annual report of the San Francisco convention of the Catholic Educational Association, just issued. Judging by the volume of some 650 pages, last summer's convention must have been one of the most successful in the history of the association. It demonstrated, as we learn from the introduction, "that the principles on which Catholic education is based are identical with the universal principles of natural right which America has espoused in undertaking this war, and that the triumphant vindication of these principles is necessary for the preservation of civilization, and is worth the sacrifice it costs." The association is just closing its fifteenth year and maintains its position as a strong factor in the growth of Catholic education. The parish schools throughout the land are crowded; in fact many can not accommodate all who wish to attend, and this condition is in large part due to the work of the Catholic Educational Association. All thoughtful educators have come to recognize the value of religious education as exemplified in the Catholic system, and look to the Catholic Educational Association for a clear enunciation of the principles upon which it is founded. The volume is well indexed, is printed in clear and attractive type, and by reason of its contents makes a valuable addition to the Catholic library.

APPRECIATED

Gen. Austin Writes Letters to Bishop O'Donaghue and Grand Knight Clines.

Expresses Gratitude of Soldier Boys to Catholic Sisters and K. of C.

Speaks For Officers and Men and Gives Assurance of Deep Gratitude.

THE SERVICES INDISPENSABLE.

Speaking for the officers and enlisted men at Camp Taylor as well as for the families and friends of soldiers, Brig. Gen. Fred T. Austin, until recently in command at camp, addressed a letter to the Right Rev. Dennis O'Donaghue, Bishop of Louisville, and Grand Knight Thomas D. Clines expressing thanks for the service rendered by more than 100 Sisters and the Knights of Columbus during the influenza epidemic. Gen. Austin, in his letter, says that the services rendered by these Sisters was so timely and so thoroughly satisfactory that he desired to express his thanks and request Bishop O'Donaghue to convey to them assurance of the deep gratitude of the officers and men. His letter follows:

"War Department Headquarters, Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., November 15, 1918—My Dear Sir: During the recent influenza epidemic, while all the country has been fighting a foe almost as deadly as the enemy overseas, the military authorities are aware of the great and indispensable aid furnished from sources outside their organizations. Those responsible for the care and treatment of the unfortunate sufferers can not avoid an acknowledgement of this generous assistance which has made possible the protective and remedial measures that were taken.

"While the epidemic was sweeping over Camp Zachary Taylor a number of Sisters of seven orders of your church took a large share of the burden of nursing and caring for the sick soldiers who crowded our hospital. I am advised that the Sisters were sent here at the request of Chaplain Barrett, through the kindness of the following Mother Superiors: Mother Genevieve, five Mercy Sisters; Mother Superior, Franciscan Sisters, three Sisters; Mother Superior, Mercy Convent, five Sisters; Mother Angela, twenty Ursuline Sisters; Mother Praxedes, Superior General, eleven Loretto Sisters; Mother Rose, thirty-two Charity Sisters; Mother Francisca, O. S. D., twelve Dominican Sisters.

"The services rendered by these Sisters was so timely and so thoroughly satisfactory that I wish to express my thanks to you as head of the church in this diocese. The consciousness that, for such workers, their deeds of mercy are in themselves reward enough, does not, I trust, make inappropriate this expression of thankfulness to them.

"Speaking not only for the officers and men of Camp Zachary Taylor, but also for the friends and familles of all our soldiers, I ask that you convey to those Sisters who have helped us here the assurances of our deep gratitude. Sincerely yours,

"Fred T. Austin."

Gen. Austin's letter to Grand Knight Thomas D. Clines, recognizing the services of the Knights of Columbus and their Secretaries, has this high praise for their work:

"Headquarters Commanding General, Camp Zachary Taylor, November 18, 1918—T. D. Clines, Secretary Knights of Columbus: The services rendered by the members of your organization in assisting in the nursing of the afflicted soldiers of this command during the recent epidemic of influenza are deserving of the highest praise, and I am taking this opportunity to express such compliments through you to the members of your organization.

"The appreciation of the untiring efforts and gratifying results have resulted in favorable comment by the families and relatives of the afflicted soldiers, as well as all members of this command.

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CERETTI'S MISSION.

Sunday papers carried the news that Magr. Ceretti, Papal Secretary of State, was on his way to the United States. The announcement says he is coming as the Pope's delegate to the episcopal jubilee celebration of Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, but that celebration is over and the Pope was represented there by Archbishop Bonzano, who delivered to the Cardinal an autograph letter of greeting from the Pope which had been brought to this country by the Right Rev. Pietro de Maria, the new Papal Delegate to Canada. It is not often that the Pope sends such an exalted official abroad, and this is the first time such an important member of the Pope's official family has been sent to America on a mission of any kind. Because of this it is assumed now that the Monsignor's new mission is a far more important one than the one announced. Local members of the Catholic hierarchy deny any knowledge either of the visit or of its purpose, and some even doubt the accuracy of the report that he is coming at all. There are important vacancies in the American hierarchy to be filled. Successors to the late Archbishops Ireland and Farley are to be appointed, and it is known that the Pope will exercise extreme care in naming men to fill the places made vaacnt by the deaths of these two distinguished men. Still it is not thought he would regard it necessary to send his Under Secretary for State Affairs all the way here, especially at this time, with the whole world in turmoil. The most likely surmise, according to a well informed prelate, is that Mgr. Ceretti's real mission, if he really comes, is a diplomatic one and has to do with the necessity of reconstructing practically the entire world as a result of the cataclysm. The status of the Monsignor is likened to that of Col. E. M. House as the personal representative of the President to various States where there is already diplomatic representatives. The reconstruction of Russia is a matter of vital importance to the Vatican, for the church there under the Czar received scant courtesy, the Pope being denied the right to communicate with the Bishops in Russia without the communications passing through a Government censorship.

PAID AWFUL TOLL.

Mrs. Margaret Kleinjohn and daughter, Miss Marguerite Kleinjohn, whose home is at Jackson and Chestnut street, have paid heavy toll for the war. A few hours after Miss Marguerite Kleinjohn on Thursday of last week mailed a Christmas box to her brother, Herbert A Kleinjohn, of Field Hospital Unit 12, a cable message brought the sad news that he had died in England on October 22 of pneumonia, with which he was stricken while en route overseas with the American forces. He enlisted in the First Kentucky seventeen months ago and left Camp Shelby with the Kentucky boys of the Thirty-eighth Division. His brother, Karl A. Kleinjohn, who was in the Government aeroplane service at Buffalo, was also a victim of pneumonia, of which he died on October 15. For the bereaved mother and sister there is deep and widespread sympathy.

PRESENT FROM BELGIUM.

Last week the Rev. G. A. Vantroostenberghe, chaplain at the Good Shepherd Convent, received a package from Belgium, his native country, marked souvenir of Belgium from the Minister of Foreign Affairs, which proved to be a large Belgian flag about six feet long, which now hangs in front of his residence at Eighth and Walnut. That same day Father Van had letters from relatives in Belgium, the first he has had in four years. Hon. Michael Herrmann, the French Consul here, also received one of the flags from the Belgian Minister.

BEST HELP

Cardinal Gibbons Says This Is a Glorious Country and Worth Dying For.

Woodrow Wilson and His Associates Are But the Instruments of God.

America Triumphed Because Her Cause Was Honorable and Righteous.

GOD EVER HOLDS THE REINS.

America and her Allies triumphed in this world war because theirs was a cause that was just and honorable and righteous; because theirs was a fight not prompted by selfish aims and by lustful ambitions of world conquest, but one that is to make the world free of despotism; a battle for freedom from the yoke of oppression that a militaristic Germany would have fastened upon us.

All schemes conceived in passion and fomented by hopes of the most lawless kind—as was this war—carry terror before them and leave ruin, desolation and death in their wake. But only for a time. God never relinquishes the reins of earthly government. In time right and justice must prevail; sooner or later a Divine Will forces into submission those earthly kings and emperors who ruthlessly try to dominate. And the time has come when the aims of Germany have been shattered; when the yearning of her misguided ruler for world conquest has been crushed—forever.

America's motive in this war is a high one—and a noble one. Hers is a battle unselfish and honorable; a fight not so much for herself but one that has the liberty and the good of the entire world as its goal. And because of this I feel—and I know—that God guided our armies, and those of our Allies, to glorious victory.

All can not be soldiers on the battlefields. But those of us who are left at home can serve the noble cause by supporting our Government to the limit of our powers; to the limit of our resources. We must help our army; we must make every sacrifice gladly and uncomplainingly. It is a solemn, sacred duty. We must be loyal and courageous; we must be unswerving in our allegiance to our nation. We must help; we must not hinder. We must be soldiers—good soldiers—doing what is asked of us by our superiors; doing it without questioning and without criticism. Those who live in America should thank God that they have been blessed with a home-land such as this; one where liberty is granted without license; where there is authority without despotism; where the Government holds over us a mantle of protection without interfering with a God-given right of conscience. It is a wonderful country, this America; a glorious country; one worth sacrificing for; one worth dying for. At a time like this we must not criticise—unless the criticism is helpful. We must go to the limit of our powers in supporting the President and our Government. We must be whole-souled in our submission to their rulings. It is not our right now to question the laws that the war has imposed upon us. We must obey as all good soldiers have obeyed since the world began.

To those who sometimes have found fault with Governmental rulings; to those whose own opinions have differed from the opinions of our great leaders in this world, I say this: Remember that you are looking at things from only a single viewpoint, while those in authority view them from many different angles; yours is the conclusion of but a single brain; theirs is the concentrated thought of many master brains. It is not within your province to protest because you alone have ideas that conflict with those conceived by the men who are guiding the destiny of this nation—and guiding it with remarkable skill and judgment. The responsibilities that rest today upon the shoulders of our President, upon those of his Cabinet and upon the legislative bodies of the United States are tremendous responsibilities—greater perhaps than any group of men ever had been burdened with since time began. But those men are doing their work in a way that is wonderful; they are doing all that is humanely possible to do to crush speedily a nation that aspired for the enslavement of the world.

And remember—always—that Mr. Woodrow Wilson and his associates in authority in this country are instruments of God; that God has placed them in the high offices they hold so that they should serve his purpose of leading us out of the chaos of war in the haven of peace. Some there are who have felt that the world has gone mad; that we are adrift, rudderless and helpless on a sea of murderous emotions. But that is wrong. Since the time of the creation nothing has happened in this world by chance. An ever-ruling God has been constantly at the helm of the world, guiding it safely through every storm, piloting it always past the rocks that threatened absolute disaster into the calm harbor of peace and prosperity.

At times like this we must have faith—and a faith that is whole-souled and sublime. We must believe in God—in his wisdom, his justice and his kindness. We must put our trust in the Almighty and calmly feel that at a time when God wills it the war will come to an end. And that the world will be better for the strife that now casts a pall over it. Through the years corruption has increased in the world; greed, lust and avarice came to dominate. The world has come to need a cleansing, and God in his all-wise Providence has been sweeping his hand over it, cleansing and purifying it with the blood of martyrs who died so that those who survive—and those who will be born in the generations to come—will live in a world that is cleaner and better and purer. History shows to us that the world can go on only for a certain time before it degrades and degenerates. Helpless in itself to bring about a purification, it looks to our Heavenly Father to help it; to wash away the corruption. And this is an era, like those that history records, when God has come to the help of the world and in a way that He deems best is purifying it.

Those who have lost loved ones on the battlefields of France must suffer in anguish and in grief. But to them must come a solace in knowing that their loved ones have not died in vain; that they gave up their lives for a cause that nothing has eclipsed in worthiness. All of us who are born into this world must die. Is there any nobler death than that which can come when one sacrifices his life for righteousness: when one dies acting as the instrument of his Creator in carrying on the work of cleansing the world? The war already has brought about a spiritual revolution—in every religion. There has been developed since the fighting began a tremendous impetus to trust in God—and to keep his commandments. Men and women pray today—hold daily commune with their God—who hadn't prayed for many years. The world has ceased to think only of earthly things; its thoughts have turned to the spiritual. It turns for solace to the church and lifts its voice in prayer, asking the Heavenly Father to protect the loved onese; to bring a speedy end to the frightful slaughter in France. And God is hearing them. Their prayers will not go unanswered.

From the battlefields of France comes even greater evidence that the war is converting the world; that it is bringing man closer to his God. Men think of God today—and pray to Him—who have had no religious thoughts for years. A religious fervor is sweeping the world. And in the inferno of combat in France men are responding to the cry of their souls; they are lifting their voices in prayer and finding in that action the sweetest joy that life has ever brought to them.

When peace and natrquility reign once again, the world will not go back to its old ways; it will not sever the bond of prayer that now unites it with its God. It will not forget what a comfort prayer has brought to them in these war-torn days. The world will raise its voice to its Creator in prayer of thanksgiving then as it raises it in supplication now. And the world will continue to commune with its God and find in that communion a joy that surpasses understanding.

Let us put out fullest faith and trust in God—and in our President! Let us pledge day by day our loyalty to our country—and then let us show it. Let us be patient and long-suffering, remembering always that out of evil comes good, and that out of this war shall come a new world—a better world—a purer, cleaner world than any of us have known.

WAR SAVINGS TO CONTINUE.

The State Director of war savings has been advised that the Secretary of the Treasury has determined upon the issuance of a new series of war savings certificates and stamps, to be placed on sale early in 1919 and to be known as the series of 1919. The new series will have a maturity date of January 1, 1924, and in practically all respects will be issued on the same terms and in the same manner as the present series of 1918. A new $5 war savings stamp, blue in color, bearing the head of Benjamin Franklin, the apostle of saving, and a former Postmaster General, is in preparation. The new stamps will be placed on sale early in 1919. The same thrift stamps and thrift cards now in use will be continued in 1919 and will be exchangeable into new series of 1919 war savings stamps, payable January 1, 1924, in the same way as the exchange has been made during this year into the series of 1918 war savings stamps. Because of chaotic conditions in Europe the armies must be maintained at full strength for many months and, in addition, enormous expenditures will be necessary for years in connection with readjustment and reconstruction work.

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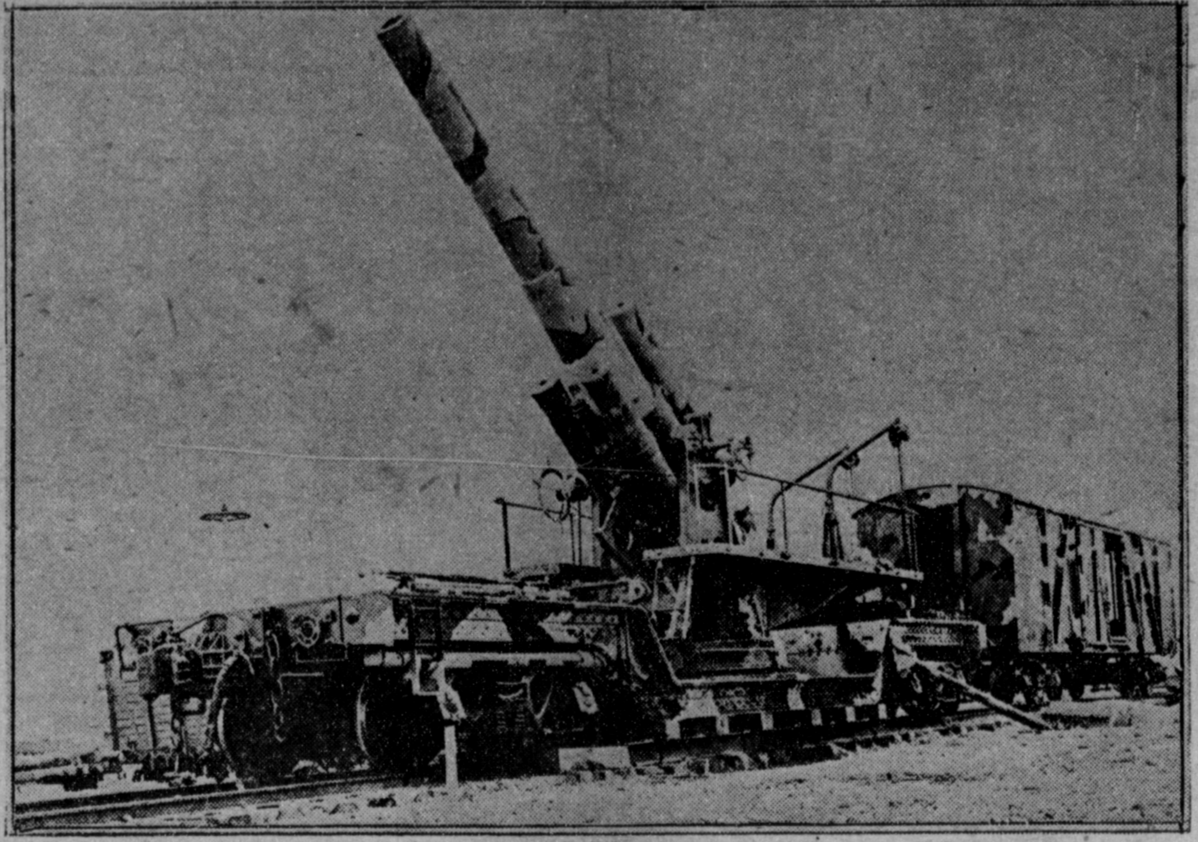

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HIBERNIANS.

What They Have Been Doing the Past Week—General News Notes.

Division 3 will meet next Friday evening.

Members of Division 3 in the West End are now quite active.

The death of Joseph Monroe last week added another to Division 4's long list this year.

Leo P. Reilly, one of our members in the navy, is now stationed at Hampton Roads.

Division 4 will hold its annual election of officers at the next meeting, December 9.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Minneapolis entertained our Sammies and Jackies on Monday night at another of their popular praties.

Division 3 of Omaha held a bazar this week in Workmen's Temple. A Metz roadster was one of the prizes.

This is a good time to inaugurate a membership campaign in Louisville. They have been quite successful elsewhere.

Every Hibernian hopes the coming international peace conference will bring home rule and self-government to Ireland.

From present indications it is safe to say many members of the order will ceelbrate next St. Patrick's day in Berlin and Germany.

Next Tuesday night the Ladies' Auxiliary of South Omaha will be guests at the home of Mrs. Mary Ratigan, who will give them a fine evening's entertainment.

Members of the order everywhere extend their sympathy to Mrs. Mary Arthur, of Indianapolis, National Director of the Ladies' Auxiliary, who last week suffered the death of her husband, John F. Arthur.

After the holidays we should begin preparations for a County Board celebration of St. Patrick's day that will arouse the old spirit and again bring together the descendants here from the Emerald Isle.

FREEDOM FOR IRELAND.

Catholic organizations were notified Monday by United States Senator James D. Phelan that he was to present a petition of the Catholic clergy of California to President Wilson asking that Ireland's political freedom be espoused by the United States at the Peace Conference. The petition was signed by Archbishop Edward J. Hanna, of the archdiocese of San Francisco, and Right Rev. John J. Cantwell and Thomas Grace, Bishops of Los Angeles and Sacramento dioceses, and 800 clergymen in the State. Similar petitions from all parts of the United States were being signed Monday for presentation to the President, it was announced. None but clergymen who are American citizens are permitted to sign the petitions, it was said.

ENTERTAIN SOLDIERS.

Tonight a dance will be given for soldiers at the K. of C. club house, 816 South Fourth avenue. The young ladies of the St. Helena's Cooperative Club, who have been doing the mending for the soldiers at Camp Zachary Taylor, will act as chaperons.

On Wednesday the members of the Knights of Columbus and their ladies celebrated the signing of peace with a reception and dance from 9 to 12 p. m. On Thanksgiving afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock a dance was given for officers, chaperoned by Miss Wilmenia Waller.

BACK TO DUTY.

E. Raymond Schott, a popular member of Mackin Council, who has been spending a ten days' furlough visiting friends and relatives in the West End, will return Monday night for duty at the Great Lakes naval training station, where he is stationed for the present. He is hale and hearty and likes life in Uncle Sam's navy, and has hopes that he will soon be assigned to duty on one of our big war vessels.

BISHOP BYRNE.

The reception and installation of Right Rev. Bishop Byrne took place on Thursday in St. Mary's Cathedral at Galveston, Texas. It was a fitting Thanksgiving celebration and the grandest the city ever witnessed.

FLIES 1,192 STARS.

The handsome new service flag that floats from St. Xavier's College, East Broadway, carries the figures 1,192, representing that number of stars for its many students who have entered their country's service. Two crosses represent Chaplains Monaghan and Martin, now in France, and six gold stars those who sacrificed their lives for democracy and the world's freedom.

PATRICK SMITH DEAD.

A requiem mass was said at St. Louis Bertrand's church Thanksgiving day for the repose of the soul

of Patrick Smith, of St. John's, Newfoundland, a brother of Lawrence J. Smith, of 2128 First street, this city. The deceased was prominent in Newfoundland politics and for over forty years had been a resident agent for Goodridge & Sons, a shipping concern, of Witless Bay. Besides his brother he is survived by six sons and two daughters. His death occurred on November 11, and only this week the sad news was received here.

PRAISES AMERICA.

Cardinal Mercier, the most prominent figure of the war in Belgium, excepting King Albert, received the Associated Press correspondent Saturday. "You have saved us," said the Cardinal, when asked what he thought about America's participation in the war. "You have saved the world." Cardinal Mercier is tall and dignified. He was garbed in a purple soutane. He chatted with the correspondent for more than half an hour.

"I never despaired, I never lost hope, although at times my heart was very full," the Cardinal said referring to an incident in December, 1914, when Baron von Bissing, military Governor of Belgium, virtually made him a prisoner in his episcopal palace. "I received a telegram then from the Associated Press and have never been able to answer it. I wish to reply to it now: 'Yes, Bissing treated me as a prisoner for four days.'"

Concerning the Governors of Belgium during the war Cardinal Mercier said that Falkenhausen was more cruel and inhuman than Bissing and more perfidious, insidious and dangerous. "There was not much to choose between them, however," he said. Referring to his quite recent birthday anniversary the corerspondent complimented the Cardinal upon his robust appearance and health. The Cardinal replied: "It is true that I am sixty-seven, but rather it is my seventy-first because the last four years seemed like eight to me."

Referring to the change in the Government of Germany, Cardinal Mercier said: "I am no politician. However, the change there seems too sudden to be lasting. The new Government appears to me like a camouflage to the autocracy and the changes seem to have been made to order according to prearranged schedule. It is God's justice, and the public conscience is satisfied. The triumph of justico is complete; the barbarian device that might is right has received its death blow; the dream of pan-German domination has been shattered and evaporated like noxious gas in the wind and, thanks to God's justice, right has triumphed and the Belgians once more are free and independent. We have won the war."

On receiving confirmation of the rumor that President Wilson planned to visit Europe, Cardinal Mercier said that he was a great admirer of the President, adding: "Your President is a great statesman, one of the greatest statesmen of all times. The Germans' dark plotting and treacherous diplomacy were completely foiled by President Wilson's magnificently honest and implacably just messages."

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Late News That Will Interest Members Here and Elsewhere.

A large class received the first degree Monday night at Indianapolis.

Secretaries will remain in France until all the soldiers have returned to America.

A staff from Fort Wayne conducted the installation Thursday night at Decatur.

Omaha will have its big initiation tomorrow, to be followed by another on December 8.

The K. of C. have now 254 buildings in operation with 652 Secretaries conducting the work.

Little Rock Council had six applications and balloted on fifty-two candidates at the last meeting.

Little Rock Knights will have their big initiation tomorrow, when a large class from Camp Pike will receive the degrees.

Meetings were resumed with a smoker Monday night at Portland, Ore. A big initiation will take place there tomorrow.

The K. of C. builidng at Algiers Naval station, New Orleans, furnishes entertainment for our sailors and marines every night.

The Knights of Columbus have done splendid work at Fort Stevens and in the Lower Columbia river district, covering a ardius of seventy-five miles.

Charles Carroll Council at Carroll, Iowa, holds the State record for the number of its initiations and the size of its classes. Last Sunday week seventy-two candidates were received into the order.

Upon the closing of the K. of C. hut at Camp Syracuse, from which the soldiers have been removed, Col. Ruttencutter wrote: "The tremendous and continuous crowds which were at all times present in your tents and buildings were a sufficiently eloquent testimony of the appreciation of the men."

MAKES MANY HAPPY.

There is joy in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kieffer, Duncan street, a big eight-pound boy having arrived there. It is said the youngster is some banker, and already has it on his dad when it comes to counting the cash. He is a grandson of Charles N. Jacques, connected with the Property Clerk's office of the Police Department. Both mother and son are doing well.

SODALITY MANUAL.

A new manual of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, edited by the Rev. James J. Duffy, has just been issued from the Peter Reilly press, Philadelphia. Many editions of the manual of the sodality have been published, but none that contain the practical and helpful features of this one. The arrangement in this edition not only permits the sodalist to say the office properly but also in unison with the other members. The rubrics in red is an additional helpful feature. The hymns are not numerous, only the more popular ones, so as to permit the book being issued in a small size and be printed in type sufficiently large enough to be read in poorly lighted churches. A separate page, with sodality title and patron inserted, will be furnished when sufficient quantities are ordered at one time. Orders may be placed with the Rogers Book Company.

ST. HELENA'S CLUB.

Loyalty and service, the spirit of the times, characterized the last meeting of the St. Helena's Co-operative Club, which enjoyed a really pleasant and instructive evening. The musical programme furnished by the student orchestra of Presentation Academy was particularly good and evoked many compliments for the young musicians. The coronet solo by Master Arthur Miller was remarkable for one so young. Miss Margaret Miller gave her violin solo with admirable correctness and expression, and Miss Elizabeth Coleman deserves commendation for the able and graceful manner in which she filled the post of directress. The following members of the orchestra were present and each deserves honorable mention: Misses Irma Kalpheke, Agnes and Blanche Veeneman, Anita and Beatrice Evers, Angel and Virginia Rapp, Mary Waechter and Augusta Briet; Masters C. L. Casper and Irwin Abell. Two well rendered vocal selections were given by Miss Benita Bennett, Miss Bertha Rapp being the accompanist.

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